Adopted Rejected

COMMITTEE REPORT

YES: 10 NO: 0

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on <u>Veterans Affairs and Public Safety</u>, to which was referred <u>Senate Bill 376</u>, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill **be amended** as follows:

- Page 2, after line 35, begin a new paragraph and insert:
- 2 "SECTION 5. IC 36-8-8-12.5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.62-2006,
- 3 SECTION 7, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
- 4 JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 12.5. (a) This section applies only to a fund
- 5 member who:
- 6 (1) is hired for the first time after December 31, 1989;
- 7 (2) chooses coverage by this section and section 13.5 of this
- 8 chapter under section 12.4 of this chapter; or
- 9 (3) is described in section 12.3(c)(2) of this chapter.
- 10 (b) At the same hearing where the determination of whether the 11 fund member has a covered impairment is made, the local board shall
- determine the following:
- 13 (1) Whether the fund member has a Class 1 impairment. A Class
- 14 1 impairment is a covered impairment that is the direct result of

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1	one (1) or more of the following:
2	(A) A personal injury that occurs while the fund member is on
3	duty.
4	(B) A personal injury that occurs while the fund member is off
5	duty and is responding to:
6	(i) an offense or a reported offense, in the case of a police
7	officer; or
8	(ii) an emergency or reported emergency for which the fund
9	member is trained, in the case of a firefighter.
10	(C) An occupational disease (as defined in IC 22-3-7-10). A
11	covered impairment that is included within this clause and
12	subdivision (2) shall be considered a Class 1 impairment.
13	(D) A health condition caused by an exposure risk disease that
14	results in a presumption of disability or death incurred in the
15	line of duty under IC 5-10-13.
16	(2) Whether the fund member has a Class 2 impairment. A Class
17	2 impairment is a covered impairment that is:
18	(A) a duty related disease. A duty related disease means a
19	disease arising out of the fund member's employment. A
20	disease shall be considered to arise out of the fund member's
21	employment if it is apparent to the rational mind, upon
22	consideration of all of the circumstances, that:
23	(i) there is a connection between the conditions under which
24	the fund member's duties are performed and the disease;
25	(ii) the disease can be seen to have followed as a natural
26	incident of the fund member's duties as a result of the
27	exposure occasioned by the nature of the fund member's
28	duties; and
29	(iii) the disease can be traced to the fund member's
30	employment as the proximate cause; or
31	(B) a health condition caused by:
32	(i) an exposure related heart or lung disease; or
33	(ii) an exposure related cancer; or
34	(iii) exposure related Parkinson's disease;
35	that results in a presumption of disability incurred in the line
36	of duty under IC 5-10-15.
37	(3) Whether the fund member has a Class 3 impairment. A Class
38	3 impairment is a covered impairment that is not a Class 1

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impairment or a Class 2 impairment.".

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(Reference is to SB 376 as printed Februar	ry 20, 2009.)
and when so amended that said bill do pass.	
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